

## **Ward Notification**

## **Tucson Fire Department**





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## Ward 6 – House Fire – 3000 Block of East 19<sup>th</sup> Street

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Dispatch Time – 0415 On-Scene Time – 0419 Under Control - 0436

TFD responded to a house fire this morning. Four people were home when the fire started. Three dogs were in the back yard and saw the fire in the storage/laundry room near the back of the house. They barked at the fire and woke the family up. When TFD crews arrived on scene, everyone had already evacuated.

No injuries occurred.

Damage estimate \$50,000 - There was smoke throughout the home. The electrical wiring was damaged from the fire, so the electric could not be turned back on. Red Cross is assisting this family with food, clothing and shelter.

Cause - Accidental electrical in washing machine room.

Safety Message: Most home fire deaths occur between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. A working smoke detector can increase your chance of surviving a fire by 50% or more. The dogs played the role of the smoke detector and probably saved this entire family.